THE nomination of W. C. McCreery to be collector of internal revenue for the first district of Missouri was confirmed by the senate on the 1st.

THE official returns of the Bombay health authorities show that up to the 4th there had been 4,098 cases of the plague and 3,841 deaths from the disease in that city.

On the 4th Bank Examiner George A. Stone, at Mount Pleasant, Ia., was ordered to take charge of the First national bank of Griswold, Ia., which had closed its doors.

JAMES S. ECKELS, comptroller of the currency, has decided to retain his office until the expiration, in April, 1898, of the term of five years for which he was appointed.

THE rescue of the German minister to Slam from a mob in Bangkok was only effected after an American engineer named Bennett had placed himself at the head of the mounted police and rallied them to a successful at-

THE United States supreme court, on the 1st, sustained the Indiana law taxing telegraph companies, which was brought up for review by appeal from the judgment of the Indiana state supreme court. From this decision Justices Harlan and White dis-

A DISPATCH from Havana says it is stated there that Gen. Weyler will return to Havana in view of the great activity of the insurgents in that province and the plans attributed to Gen. Ruis Rivera for dealing a hard blow to Spain at the very doors of the capital.

THE king of Portugal accepted the resignations of his cabinet, on the 5th, and summoned the progressist leader, Senhor de Castro, to form a new ministry, in which Senhor Barros Domez, a member of the council of state, should be appointed minister of Preign affairs.

THE United States cruiser Brooklyn, the latest pride of the navy, calculated to withstand the fiercest onslaught of shot and shell, lies almost helpless because of having struck a narrow ledge of sunken rock in the Delaware river, above Marcus Hook, Pa. The vessel is badly damaged.

A REPORT cabled from London that Ambassador Bayard would present his kenney was sworn in as sonator from Delaletters of recall on February 20 is clearly an error, as the state department has sent no letter of recall to Mr. Bayard, and will not do so during this administration, consequently he Pacific Raliroad Co. The Nicaragua canni hill was taken up, some adverse speeches bewill have none to present.

HAMILTON F. COLMAN, a clerk in the general land office at Washington, was arrested by post office inspectors, on the 3d, on a charge of having stolen large quantities of periodical stamps, \$5,000 worth of which were found upon his person. He was held in \$2,000 bail for examination.

THE supreme court of Wisconsin. on the 2d, handed down a decision which declares unconstitutional the law under which many county courts have ommitted to Keelev institutes throughout the state indigent inebriates for treatment at the expense of the county from which they were committed.

A DISPATCH from Athens, on the 5th, said: Desperate fighting has occurred between the Christians and Mohammedans in the island of Crete. The Mussulmans have set fire to the city of Canea, and the place is now burning. The city is in a state of anarchy, and a Christian is safe nowhere. Fully 800 persons have been killed.

UNITED STATES CONSUL-GENERAL CHARLES DEKAY, at Berlin, the well- estimated at \$40,000; insurance, \$12,known journalist, anticipating, evidently, the speedy terminations of his official duty at his present post, addressed to the state department a caustic criticism upon German commercial methods, which the department made public on the 5th.

THE sub-committee of the appropriations committee having charge of interstate commissioner. the sundry civil appropriations bill, on the 3d, heard members of the house from Louisiana, Nebraska and California in support of the proposition to pay the balance on sugar law of 1890, amounting to about \$1,-

THE American Missionary association has issued an appeal to Congregational churches, especially throughout New England, to observe February 14, the second Sabbath of the present month, as a memorial Sunday of "The Times of Abraham Lincoln," who was born February 12, 1809. The appeal connects Lincoln's life with the work of the association.

REV. J. A. BROOKS, a well-known divine of the Christian church and pro-hibitionist candidate for the vice-presidency in 1888, died in Memphis, Tenn., on the 4th, of heart failure, superinduced by paralysis. In 1895 Mr. Brooks was called to the London (England) Christian tabernacle. He returned from London recently, having resigned his charge there on account of ill

UNITED STATES MINISTER JOHN BAR-BETT, at Bangkok, Siam, has been intructed by Secretary Olney to press for reference to a mixed tribunal, without further delay, the assault on Vice-Consul-General Kellett, growing out of a dispute between Mr. Kellett and the Siamese government over a land grant. The demand will be reinforced by the presence of the gun-boat Machine.

THE Anglo-Venezuelan arbitration treaty was signed by Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, nor Jose Andrade, the Venezue an minister, in the office of Secretary Olary at the state department, on the comply a century, as well as the recompliant of diplomatic negotiations in Constantinople, on the 3d, indicate that the bubonic plague has made its appearance at Djivadir, Belooghistan

THE SCOTT COUNTY HEWSBOY.

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## NEWS AND NOTES

A Summary of Important Events.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

Second Session. In the senate, on the lst, a resolution was offered and referred locating its an investigation of the recent presidential and state election in Delaware and an inquiry as to whether a remublican form of the resolution of the recent presidential and state election in Delaware and an inquiry as to whether a remublicant form of the resolution. because and an inquiry as to whether a republicas form of government exists in that state. The Nicaragua canal bill was then taken up, the discussion proceeding on Mr. Vilas motion to have the bill recommitted. Mr. Vilas secured the floor and had not concluded his remarks when the senate, after a short agreetive assisted additional to the state of the st short executive session, adjourned .... In the house the day was devoted to miscellaneous business, a number of bills being passed. The last hour was spent in consideration, in com-mittee of the whole, of the diplomatic and consuinr bill, which was not concluded when the

house adjourned. In the senate, on the 2d, Mr. Chandler (rep., N. H.) Introduced a resolution, which went over looking to she ultimate use of silver as well as gold as standard money with free comage of both. The conference report on the im-migration bill was the subject of long speeches by Mr. Gibson (dem., Md.) against, and Mr. Lodge (rep., Mass.) in defense of the report of the conference committee. The report went over without action. The remainder of the day was taken up by Mr. Vilas in continuation of his speech against the Nicaragua canal bill.

.... In the house the only business of im-portance was the passage of a resolution pro-viding for a joint session of congress on the loth to count ithe electoral votes and declare

e result. In the senate, on the 3d, two resolutions previously introduced looking to the impeding or preventing the sale of the Union Pacific rail-road property under a judicial decree of fore-closure, were discussed at length by Mr. hurston, the morning hour expiring before he concluded. The remainder of the session was devoted to the Nicaragua canal bill.. In the house, after nearly the whole day was de-voted to the contested-election case of Cornett vs. Swanson, from the Fifth Virginia district, the latter's title to the seat was confirmed by an overwhelming majority. In the senate on the 4th, as soon as the rou-

tine morning business was disposed of, house bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating inquors in the capitol was taken up, and went over without action. The conference report on the immigration bill occupied attention for a time, after which the Nicaragua canal bill was taken up and Mr. Vilas delivered the fourth day's installment of his speech in opposition to it. .... In the house the District of Columbia bill was further considered and remained the unfinished business. The further conference asked by the senate upon the immigration bill was agreed to, and conferees were appointed. A few unimportant bills were passed.

bill was taken up, some adverse speeches be ing made thereon. A large number of pension and other bills unobjected to were taken from the calendar and passed..... In the house diprivate pension bills were disposed of: several contested-election cases were considered and decided in favor of the sitting members, and the conference report on the military academy bill was agreed to. An evening session was held for the consideration of private

## PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

pension bills.

FIRE was discovered in the boys' Fire was discovered in the boys' In anticipation of the passage of the dormitory of the Genesee Wesleyan Lodge bill to restrict immigration, seminary at Lima, N. Y., shortly after thousands of Europeans who would be was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at \$50,000. There were 100 boys in the building, but all escaped with their lives. One student was injured by jumping from a windows of

badly that he died soon after. LEE B. McFARLAND, teller of the Second national bank of Parkersburg, W. Va., is short \$45,000 in his accounts He has confessed that he lost the money in speculation. The shortage will be made good.

THE Kalamazoo (Mich.) high school building was destroyed by fire on the 1st. The cause of the fire was an explosion of furnace gas. The loss is 000. Several firemen were injured. f them fatally, by the breaking of a ladder.

MR. J. S. Wilson, of Iowa, telephoned to friends on the 1st: "I have accepted the portfolio of agriculture in Mr. McKinley's cabinet." On the 1st the president reappointed

Martin A. Knapp, of New York, to be Four men who were cut off from es cape by fire in the Tamarack mine, at Houghton, Mich., were, on the 2d, abandoned to their fate, orders being issued to seal up the shaft, the attemp bounty due domestic raisers under the to pump air in to the entombed miners having only resulted in increasing the fury of the flames

Ar Ali Saint's cathedral, Albany, N. Y., Dr. James Dow Morrison, rector of St. John's church, Ogdensburg, was, on the 2d, consecrated bishop of the Episcopal missionary diocese of Du-

THE state house at Harrisburg, Pa. was destroyed by fire, on the 2d, en-tailing a loss of \$1,000,000; insurance,

PRESIDENT HARPER of the University of Chicago announced at the chapel services, on the 2d, that Lady Aberdeen, wife of the governor-general of Canada, would be the convocation orator at the university commencement exercises in the Auditorum April 1. Lady Aberdeen will have the honor of being the first woman chosen for

such an occasion in this country. THE ice gorge in the Ohio river at Cincinnati broke, on the 3d, as did also the gorge in Licking river, and the packet Henry M. Stanley and 20 barges were swept out into the current of the Ohio. The Stanley was rescued while drifting down the Ohio. THE big works of the Case Threshing Machine Co., at Racine, Wis., will resume operations on the 8th. They have been closed for six months. Several hundred men will be given em

ployment. Almost the entire business portion of Arlington, O., was destroyed by fire on the 2d. Six business firms were burned out, and one family barely es-

caped with their lives. WHAT is called a Christian theater will be opened in Paris for the purpose of producing highly artistic, lit- up by the first circular issued Februerary and moral plays, which, it is announced, Catholics may attend with-

THE house committee on patents, on the Sd, ordered favorably reported the bill amending the copyright law so as to prevent the fraudulent disc of the word "copyright" and to strengthen the law in this direction, it gives the courts the remedy of injunction as well as penalty in such cases.

THE 18-year-old son of Druggist Dreis, of St. Paul, Minn, threw a anowball, on the 3d, at a man in a cut-ter. The ball, atriking the horse, caused it to run away, and this re-sulted in three other runaways, causing considerable damage. Two of the victims called on Mr. Dreis, on the 4th, for payment, when the latter retired to his office without a word and

sent a bullet through his brain. THE American Coffee Co. was incorporated at Trenton, N. J., on the 4th, with a capital stock of \$100,000. The ncorporators are Henry O. Havemeyer, John E, Searles, John E. Parsons and

Theo. Havemeyer.
The Fairfield ship-building works n Glasgow were burned on the 4th; oss 250,000, and 5,000 men were thrown

out of employment. Much alarm is felt throughout India. wing to the spread of the plague. Cases have been reported as far north as Delbi and as far south as Banga-

THE bank of England reduced its rate of discount, on the 4th, from 31/4 to 3 per cent.

THE plan formulated by the British government for increasing the strength and efficiency of the navy contemplates the construction of five battleships and three first-class cruisers and the addition of 10,000 men. FAILURES throughout the United

States during the week ended the 6th, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., were 311, against 323 for the corresponding week last year. For Canada the failures were 63, against 67 last year. THE First national bank of Frank-

lin, O., suspended on the 5th. Capital, \$100,000; surplus, \$20,000; undivided profits, \$30,000; deposits, \$135,000; loans and discounts, \$195,000. JOHN L. SULLIVAN, ex-champion pugilist, had his application to take the

poor debtors' oath discontinued, on the 5th, an arrangement out of at Boston, court having been made with the creditor. THE Echo de Paris asserted, on the 5th, that fighting had begun on the Siamese frontier between the natives under French protection and the Si-

amese. The date of the fighting was

not given, and no details were furnished. EXPERT accountants, on the 5th, found a shortage of nearly \$15,000 in the accounts of Cashier C. E. L. Breeder, of the First national bank of Bethlehem, Pa. Breeder had absconded. The amount was taken in small sums, showing systematic peculation.

Breeder was cashier 20 years. IT has been found that the dry dock at the Brooklyn navy yard is two feet shorter than the specifications call for. The discovery was made by Lieut. Peary, and may result in a court-martial to fix the responsibility for the

blunder. STEPS were taken at the New York chamber of commerce, on the 5th, toward the formation of a National Sound Money league, the avowed purpose of which is to oppose the freecoinage doctrine during the next four years.

ANDREA MANRO, the Italian charged with stealing \$10,000 worth of diamonds from a New Orleans jeweler. was arrested in New York city, on the 5th, by Central office detectives. Manro's picture is No. 3,896 in the rogue's

measure are flocking to the United States.

SECRETARY OLNEY has received from President Eliot of Harvard university an invitation to fill the chair of international law at the institution after the expiration of his term of toffice in the state department.

THE life of Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher was reported in a dispatch from Stamford, Conn., on the 5th, as rapidly drawing to a close.

## LATE NEWS ITEMS.

In the senate, on the 6th, Mr. Thurston continued his opposition to his colleague's resolution to prevent the judicial sale of the Union Pacific railroad property in a speech which occuthe time of the session until 3 p. m. The Nicaragua canal bill was allowed to go over informally in order to pass bills on the calendar that were unobjected to, 15 of which were passed. The day's session closed with culogies on the late Representative Cogswell, of Massachusetts....In the house the bill making appropriation for the expenses of the District of Columbia was assed, as was, also, the bill to amend the Wilson tariff act so as to permit treasury officials to sell forfeited opium to the highest bidder, and not require them to secure the amount of

the duty, \$10 a pound. DR Koch, the eminent German bacteriologist, has telegraphed from Cape Town that he is returning to Berlin with a newly-discovered serum which will lessen the force of hinderpest. In the meantime he says he is unable to say whether he will be able to prevent animals from being infected with the disease. He has demonstrated that sheep and horned cattle are the most liable of all animals to contract the disease, and that dogs, monkeys and rodents enjoy complete

immunity from it. THE weekly statement of the New York city associated banks, for the week ended on the 6th shows the following changes: Reserve, decrease, \$4,068,200; loans, increase, \$8,747,900; specie, decrease, \$125,100; legal tenders, lecrease, \$3,075,600; deposits, increase, \$5,630,000; circulation, decrease, \$1,324,-

Gov. BRADLEY of Kentucky has pardoned James Singleton the nine-yearold boy convicted of house breaking in Bond county and sentenced to the penitentiary for a year. The governor said it would be a crime against civilization to send a child of such tender years to the peniteniary.

J. P. MORGAN & Co. and the Deutsch bank of New York, as managers of the Northern Pacific reorganization syndicate, have called from the syndicate all the remaining holdings of preferred and common stock not called

THE extensive St. Cloud sugar plan-

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Said a Vision Foretold Her Death. recently near Metz, in the northern part of Vernon county.

She moved to Vernon county from Kentucky of years ago, with her parents, who settled on the Little Osage river, at a time when the Osage Indians were in that part of the country. For years she and one sister and brother lived together, and none of them was ever married. First the sister, then the brother died, affiss Summers lived in four country during her residence in the same little rudely constructed home; first in Jackson, and then in Cass, next in Bates, and finally in Vernon. The farm she died upon was obtained by her The farm she died upon was obtained by her parents from the government, and has never

hanged hands. Years ago Miss Summers said she had a vision that she had it years to live. The limitation was up some time between her swenty-eight and seventy-ninin anniversaries. About a week before she died, when her attendant wanted to call a physician, she said there was no use, as he could never raise her again, although there was no acute maledy to battle against. From early childhood she was a member of the Christian church.

Gave His Children Horseffesh. A man by the name of Glesen, who has been in the United States four

years, unable to speak English, fed his family on horseflesh in St. Louis. family on horsefiesh in St. Louis.

He was out of work, had no credit, and his children were hungry. An old horse came wandering by, and Glesen slaughtered it. When a policeman called to investigate, he found one-quarter of the horse on the table in the kitchen, and through the interpreter the father said, pointing to the four children, who watched the proceedings with hungry eyes:

"They will sleep well to-night, for their little stomachs will be full."

He also had a kettle of water on the fire preparing to make horseflesh soup and stew. Glesen ddin't seem to think he had done anything out of the way in feeding the flesh to his

thing out of the way in feeding the fiesh to his children, but rather seemed to regard it as a case of good luck that he found the horse.

Taxpayers Got Tired.

The Pettis county court has refused to order warrants for the payment of 111 fee bills from the justices' courts for January, aggregating \$3,169.80. The court's refusal is based on the ground that they were excessive, and their allowance would be a gross injustice to the taxpayers of the county. For some time past nearly every tramp that arrived at Sedalla has been arrested and convicted in a justice court on the charge of vagrancy, with a sentence of two to ten days, with from \$15 to \$20 costs in each case. This business has been carried on so ex-tensively that a halt was demanded by the taxpayers, and the action of the county court is the first step in this direction.

Mother and Child Burled Together. There was a sad incident at Sedalia

Brief funeral services were held over the remains of Goldie Leffier, daughter of Mrs. James Leffier. When the services were con-cluded Mrs. Leffier requested that she be per-mitted to kiss her child. She did so, and inmitted to kiss her caud. She did so, and in-side of five minutes the mother was also a corpse. She died of grief. The funeral of the little one was stopped, and the next day moth-er and child were buried together.

A Minister in Politics. Rev. Dr. Boyd, the head of the Civic

Federation in St. Louis, says that some of the appointments made by the mayor are the worst "possible outside of h-ll." He also says that the mayor is a man "whom I love very much, and who is a good man." Father and Mother Badly Burned.

Mrs. William Owings, of Burton township, Howard county, was probably fatally burned by her clothing catching fire. Mr. Owings was so badly burned in an effort to extinguish the flames that he may die. They have four small children. Joshua Hightower.

Joshua Hightower, prominent in Cedar county, died recently.

Mr. Hightower was born in North Carolina,
March 5, 1813, and at the age of 23 married Miss
Cornelia Smith. He moved to Vernon county,
where he lived until 1881, when he discovered the celebrated El Dorado springs.

Draws the Line on Horseflesh. The health board of St. Louisdraws the line on horseflesh for food, and has drafted an ordinance probib slaughter of horses for food and making it a misdemeanor for anyone to use such meat for food.

Result of Cooking in Old Utensils. Mrs. M. Fry, 2817 Franklin, St. Louis, cooked a buttermilk lunch for her children, which they ate and became very ill. Doctors say they were poisoned by the food being cooked in old utensils.

She Was Poor, and Froze to Death. Martha Lacey, colored, who had no home, was frozen to death in the basement of a dilapidated and uninhabited house in Lexington, where she had gone for shelter with her two little chlidren.

A Disagreeable Time. A passenger train was derailed in the tunnel under the St. Louis customhouse. The tunnel was filled with smoke, and the passengers had a disagreeable time before they were re-

The Case of Arthur Duestrow. The motion in the supreme court for a rehearing in the case of Arthur Duestrow, of St. Louis, who murdered his wife and child, has been denied. Duestrow is under sentence to hang.

A Miser's Death. John Williams Ohms, an aged miser, died in St. Louis in squalor from the lack of nourishing food. Ten thousand dollars was found in the room in which he died.

An Aged Woman Burned to Death. Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, aged 80, was burned to death in the fireplace of her home near Bryant, Douglass county. She accidentally fell head forward into

Influential Cedar County Citizen. Joseph Cline, aged 81, died at Eldo-rado Springs. He leaves quite an estate. Mr. Cline was one of the most influential men of Cedar county.

Mexican War Veteran. John T. Rollins, aged 70, died at Kearney, Clay county. He was a Mexican war veteran, and went across the plains to California in '49.

A Congregationalist for Seventy Years. Mrs. K. W. Doty, aged 83, died at the residence of Rev. A. J. Van Wagner, near Carthage. She was for 70 years a Congregationalist.

A Place for Warner. rumor comes from Canton that Maj. Wm. Warner, of Kansas City, will be first assistant under the new secretary of the interior.

New Packing Plant for St. Joseph It is stated on what is considered reliable authority that Cudahy & Mc-Shane, Omaha packers, will open up a plant in St Joseph. An Aged Minister.

Maj. W. T. Hickman, aged 80, died of paralysis near Sheldon, Vernon county. He had been a Baptist minister for half a century. Drowned in a Well. Daniel May, aged 20, son of Wm. May, near Marine, Madison county, lost his balance and fell into a well. THE MISSOURI LEGISLATURE

Justianson City, Peb. 2.—SENATE—Senator issing in greylerday introduced a bill changing the present law governing the compensation of members of the legislature. His bill does away with Sunday pay and fixes the militage at tendents per mile.

The committee on constitutional amendments read a favorable report on the bill calling a special election April 5, 1997, for the purpose of voting on a proposition to hold a competitutional convention.

HOURE—A prolonged discussion on the bill to declare the equality of silver and gold, and to prohibit any person from collecting debts in gold when he may have made a private contract that he would so pay, aroused a political question that would not be drowned. The bill passed by a strict party vote. Mr. Tubbs, of Osage, amounced to the house that no supreme court of any state or of the United States would for a homest acknowledge the legality or propriety of the bill. of the bill.

A number of bills and petitions were pre-sented. There was also a discussion on com-pulsory education.

pulsory education.

JEFFERSON CITY. Feb. 2.—SENATE—Yesterday Senator Klene introduced a bill to allow
the excise commissioner of St. Louis \$3,000 a
year salary and \$4,800 for clerk hire, the balance to be paid to the hospital fund of St.
Louis. It will, if passed, give the hospitals
\$20,000 to \$25,000 yearly.

The bill by Senator Williams ordering that
in contest cases the taking of depositions shall
begin within ten days after the notice of contest is filed was passed.

The bill prohibiting the killing of quall for
five years was taken up, discussed at length
and killed.

HOUSE—The house sent to engrossment the
appropriation bill for the support of the state
government, for the interest fund and sinking
fund.

The bill prohibiting the playing of base ball

The bill prohibiting the playing of base ball

on Sunday was passed by a vote of 77 to 42.

A number of bills were introduced, one by
Mr. McPherson, of St. Louis, to re-enset and
limit the scope of the mechanics' lien law. JEFFERSON CITY. Feb. 4-SENATE-Yesterday a petition was presented from the millers of St. Louis asking for the defeat of the house bill increasing the quarter barrel sack of flour from 48 to 49 pounds. Senator Anderson presented his bill to in-crease the salary of circuit judges from \$2,000 to \$3.50.

House-There was an extended discussion on the question of prohibiting the playing or baseball on Sunday. The measure went to en-Representative Slate's bill concerning the assessment and taxation of property in Mis-souri was discussed. Mr. Whitecotton offered an amendment cutting out the section which

provides for the stamping of notes and pro-viding for enlistment, and making it a misde-meanor on refusal to enlist. meanor on refusal to enlist.

JEFFERSON CITY. Feb. 5.—SENATE—The
house fellow-servant bill, introduced by Mr.
Avery, of Lincoln, came up on third reading in
the senate yesterday morning. There was considerable discussion, but the measure passed

Senator Hohenschild's bill to compel the assessment insurance companies to pay for deaths due to suicide as well as for any other cause was passed—18 to 11.

HOUSE—A petition was received from Jack-

son county asking that osteopathy be rec-ognized as a physical science. The peti-tion was referred to the committee on wamplands.
Representative Burks, of Saline, offered a

resolution asking that the board of railroad commissioners be abolished, if the committee on internal improvements finds, as charged, that it has failed to reduce freight rates in the interest of the people. Mr. Burks said that Col. Phelps had stated it was within the power of the commission to control freight rates Col. Phelps is connected with the Missouri Pacific, and is a well-known lobyist. | Mr. Ward, of Stoddard, moved to amend by making the resolution stronger. Then it was

The committee on internal improvements re rates.

The committee on constitutional amend-

ments reported favorably on the concurrent resolution submitting an amendment requir-ing United States senators to be elected by the people direct.

The bill providing for the repeal of the general and special laws permitting special juries in certain cases was reported upon favor-

Representative Slate's bill concerning the assessment of property was called up and de-bated at length, and laid over informally. Dr. Tubbs' bill to stop and guard frogs and switches was taken up, debated, many amend-

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 6 .- SENATE-The senste held a short session yesterday. Senator Brewster introduced a bill authorizing one railroad company to own stock in another, the effect of which, the opponents claim, is to allow pooling and trusts of competing companies. Senator Busche: A bill to prohibit sweat-

hop goods. Senator Mott: A bill to prohibit the many Senator Mott: A bill to prohibit the manu-facture of products from horse meat, upon re-quest of the St. Louis board of health. He de-clared that it could be proved that 'essence of beef" was being manufactured in St. Louis and

old in Chicago out of flesh of aged and sickly orses sold at the pound.
Adjourned till the 8th. House-Speaker Ferris and Speaker pro. tem. Lee both being absent and the two days' limit having expired, under the rules it became necessary for the house to hold an elec-

Mr. Avery, of Lincoln county, was elected, the republicans supporting Dr. Tubbs. of Mr. McCann, of Carroll county, introduced a bill providing that the surviving relatives of victims of mob violence may sue the county

and recover damages. A resolution by Whitecotton, of Monroe calling for a committe e of three to investigate stock-yard matters in St. Louis, St. Joseph and Kansas City, was adopted after a brief de-Adjourned till the 8th.

INDIAN BUREAU OFFICIALS

Don't Credit the Stories About the Assault Upon the Sac and Fox Agency.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 .- The officials of the bureau of Indian affairs here have received no advices of the robbery at the Sac and Fox Indian agency and the killing of Gen. Thomas, the Indian agent, and are inclined to the belief that there is no truth in the statement. Remittances to the agency are made by check, and would not tempt the bandits so far as money is concerned.

A Victim of Appendicitie. PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.-F. W. Hinckley, the husband of the success. ful claimant to the Blythe millions at San Francisco, died at 2:15 a. m. of appendicitis.

THE ODD AND CURIOUS.

The loftiest inhabited place in the world is the Buddhist monastery of Haine, in Thibet. It is about 17,000 feet above the sea. On the summit of Ben Lomond may

be seen the smallest tree that grows in

Great Britain; it is known as the dwarf willow, and is, when mature, only about two inches in height. The sea has no herbivorous inhab itant. Its population live on each other, and the whole of this immense

expanse of water is one great slaughter

house, where the strong forever prey upon the weak. Many savage nations worshiped only the malevolent deities, on the principle that the good gods would do all they could for humanity anyhow, while the evil gods or demons needed concilia

tion. A bird of immense wing power is the tiny stormy petrel; it belongs to every sea, and, although so seeming frail, it breasts the utmost fury of the storm; skimming with incredible velocity the trough of the waves and gliding rapidly over their snowy creats. Petrels have been observed 2,000 miles from nearest land, THE OLIVE BRANCH,

With Buds of Promise to the American People,

That Spain Offers to the Cubans, Provided They Lay Bown Their Arms and Again Put Their Necks Under the Yoke of

a Tyraupical Government

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-The Spanish legation has received with the full abstract of the new reforms for the island of Cuba and Porto Rico, the presmble of Senor Capovas, announcing the terms of the new decree This preamble expresses the kindlies feelings towards the Cuban people and declares that their mother, Spain, is disposed, as she always has been, to open her arms to them and to extend mnesty for past offenses and declares that the application of the reforms only depends with the insurgents.

Minister Dupuy de Lome, discusse the scope of the reforms with a representative of the United Associated Presses and said, among other things

"The electoral reforms were not re-ferred to at length in the decree of the ministry, for the reasons stated in the preamble of Senor Canovas, that they will require the action of the cortes I am informed, however, that the government contemplates extending greatly the basis of the suffrage, but they desire to do it in such a way as to prevent undue influence being ac quired by the illiterate portion of the population. Any educational qualification which may be suggested by the Cubans and which seems reasonable by the cortes, will undoubtedly be adopted.

"It is the purpose of the govern-ment," said Senor Dupuy de Lome, "to show the greatest generosity towards the insurgents if they will lay down their arms. The reforms cannot well be put in full effect until the sovereignty of Spain is acknowledged in all parts of the island. The government will not relax its military activity in any degree of the insurgents show a disposition to continue the contest and fail to appreciate the great concessions made by the home government."

The tariff features of the new decree, Senor de Lome said, mean a great deal for the United States as well as for Cuba. The first column of the new tariff schedules, providing for revenue, will contain the greatest number of items, leaving the list on which discriminations are made in favor of Spain not exceeding 20 per cent. of the value of the imports, a comparatively short one. The duties levied will be equal against all countries except Spain, and American manufacturers and exporters, in view of their familiarity with the Cuban trade and their nearness to the island, are likely to appreciate the importance of these conces sions. The situation will be much more favorable to American trade than under the reciprocity treaty of 1850.

Spanish Dissatisfaction With Concessions to Cuba MADRID, Feb. 8.-There is much dis-

satisfaction expressed here over what are believed to be the excessive concessions made to the Cubans in the scheme of reforms, and it is thought that cabinet changes are likely to result. It is reported that Marquis Pidal or Gen. Martinez Campos will shortly replace Senor del Castillo, the prime minister. The latter, should be resign, would place himself at the disposal of the crown, which would possibly ad vise him to support Marquis Pidal.

SPANISH COLUMN AMBUSHED

nihilated by Cubans. NEW YORK, Feb. 8 .- A special to the New York World from Key West, Fla.,

As Gen. Weyler was marching with his columns just before entering Santa Clara his horse was shot under him by a Cuban sharpshooter. It is supposed the shot came from a distant hillside Throughout the march from Rodas he captain-general was assailed by missiles of this kind, and several times

barely escaped being wounded. He is greatly worried over it and arge scouting parties precede the advancing Spanish columns to capture

the daring marauders. A Spanish force of 500 men was am bushed Wednesday night near Nazarene, just west of Santa Clara, and

narrowly escaped annihilation. The insurgents had mined the road and bridge over a creek and hidden on the road sides. As the Spaniards were crossing the bridge the mines were exploded killing 20 or 30 men and wounding many more. The blowing up of the bridge divided the Spanish and the Cubans fired on those in the rear and charged with machetes. Many Spaniards were driven into the creek

where they were drowned. The soldiers in the rear column just managed to escape annihilation. The Cubans captured 50 prisoners and re-

port over 100 Spaniards killed. AN AWFUL TRAGEDY.

Mother Throws Her Three Children and Herself Into Yellowstone River. BIG TIMBER, Mont., Feb. 7 .- The wife of John Cort last evening threw her three children into the Yellowstone river, and then jumped in after them. All were drowned. The cause of the tragedy is said to have been 10mestic unhappiness.

WORDS OF WISDOM. Some people do not take their worthlessness to heart enough to do them any good.—Atchison Globe. If parents would be more careful

weight.—Ram's Horn. In character, as in the mountains, greatness is the accumulation of common virtues, lifted up by the forces of life.-Chicago Standard.

"Beginnin' at de bottom o' de ladder an' wu'kin' up," said Uncle Eben, "am er good t'ing ter do oncet er twicet. But dah's some dat make de mistake er doin' nuffin' but dat, ovuh an' ovuh ag'in."-Washington Star. Cease from this antedating of your

experience. Sufficient to to-day are the duties of to-day. Don't waste life in doubts and fears; spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of this hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours or ages that follow it. \* \* \* Tis the measure of a man-his apprehension of a day.—R. W. Emerson.

The Mississippi river, at the point where it flows out of Lake Itaska, is ten feet wide and eighteen inches de

Sarsaparilla
The best-in fact the One Tree Blood Purifie Hood's Pills do not sause pain or

Beating the Authorities. The man who carried a carpet-bag and hay-colored whiskers atood on the corner, chuckling hoarsely to himself, and, when he thought no one was looking, slapped his thigh up-roariously. Being of a friendly dis-position, the policeman on the oppo-site corner strolled across and accosted

"Say," said the stranger, "I've been hearin' such er lot absout ther sharpers up here t' Noo Yerk, but dinged 'f I kin see it." "No?" inquired the policeman tenta-

"Naw! Why, et's ez easy to fool ther authorities ez ter skin er polecat. Up on ther next block one of ther special inspectors seen me and fined er dollar on ercount er the noo law again spittin' on their pavement."

"Did you pay it?" asked the police-"Yep! Hed to, fer he seen me, an' I

knowed it; but—" He chuckled again. "Say, thet's only ten minutes ergo, an' since then I spit 48 times."-N. Y.

His Start in Life. A refreshing variation of an old story came from New South Wales during the recent banking crisis, and may have a special interest still.

"How did I get my first start in life?" he exclaimed. "Why, one day I "Oh, that game's played out," was

shillings to charity to change my luck, I began my career as a moneylender with the other £49 fes. To-day, after 30 years' hard labor, I am a millionaire, and, to celebrate the event, I have just given ten shillings more to charity."—London Truth. Twins in Size, Shape and Activity.

"It is certainly wonderful how much science can do for us." "Yes; Mrs. Frontrow has learned to hypnotize her baby, and she didn't miss a club meeting the whole week."—Cleveland Record.

A package of this and big seed catalogue is sent you by the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse., Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamps and this notice. [K]

Just Right for Him.—"What did you think of our new patrol wagon!" asked the roundsman of his friend who loafs for a living. "Great! I was carried away with

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BREATHLESS HUNTER—"I say, boy, did you see a rabbit run by here?" Boy—"Yes, sir." Hunter—"How long ago?" Boy—"I think it'll be three years next Christmas."— Summar Thing.—Hiply—"I do hope that I can smoke in the next world." Diply—"I've no doubt that you will be accommodated."—Detroit Free Press.

"For 6 years had neuralgia." You haven't used St. eacobs Oil to cure it. "You say they had a duel on the street!"
"Yes; French; two bystanders shot."—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

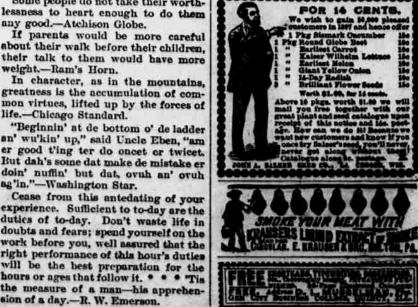
"The pun," said some one to Henry Er-skine, an incurable at the practice, "is the lowest of all forms of wit." "And there-fore the "oundation of it all." Just try a 10c, box of Cascar a candy cathartic, finest liver and bowel regulator made

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A prominent banker in Sydney was holding forth on his early life. picked up a pin." the general cry.

"I picked up a pin," the banker continued-"a diamond pin, which I pawned for £50; and, after giving ten

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This is what those important little organs, the kidneys are when healthy. In disorder they may differ in all three particulars. Disease usually destroys them successively, not simultaneously, and one may beactive while the other is semi-paralyzed. Give to both a healthful impulse, without exciting them, with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which forestalls such dreadful maladies as Bright's disease and diabetes. Use the Bitters, also, for malarial, billous, rheumatic, nervous, bowel and kidney trouble.

"I HAVE two friends who never talk behind my back. You may think you have a greater number, but probably you are mistaken."—Drake Watson. SALZER'S GERMAN COFFEE BERRY.

TOMMY (at hotel)—"Why, mamma, see what those people are to have for dinner. It's a spring bonnet." Mother—"No, it isn't, my son. That's an English pheasant." —Harper's Bazar.

Small Prices for Vehicles and Harness